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Thermo-Flo Basement Waterproofing System

SUBJECT: 1. Product

2. Name and Address
of Manufacturer B-Dry System, Inc.
1341 Copley Road
Akron, OH 44320

Data on the nonstandard product, described herein have been reviewed by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and determination has been made that it is considered suitable from a technical standpoint for the use indicated herein. This Release does not purport to establish a comparative quality or value rating for this product as compared to standard products normally used in the same manner.

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USE: Basement waterproofing.

DESCRIPTION:

The Thermo-Flo basement waterproofing system prevents basement leakage caused by either a high water-table, or by infiltration of ground water. The Thermo-Flo system uses a specially designed rectangular drainage pipe that is placed along the inside perimeter of the footing, and a rigid plastic panel that is attached to the inside face of the basement wall. The panel channels any bleeding water or sweating down below the floor level and into the drainage pipe.

MATERIALS:

Thermo-Flo Drainage Pipe

The rectangular pipe is made of two pieces of extruded PVC. The bottom trough is 3" x 6" x 0.100" thick, and has a snap-on top. The sides of the trough have 1" diameter holes spaced 3" o.c. on both sides. The snap-on top is 10' long x 0.100" thick with sufficient width to reach the 1" x 1" x 0.100 PVC angle attached to the wall.

Rigid Sealer

The Rigid Sealer is a low density polyethylene sealer that is 0.080" thick.

The Rigid Sealer shall conform to the following:

ASTM E 84

Flame Spread	130 max.
Smoke Developed	240 max.

INSTALLATION:

Installation shall be in accordance with the B-Dry System, Inc. installation instructions and the following:

Drill 3/4" diameter holes into each block core, and into each mortar joint between the blocks at the level where the bottom course of concrete blocks bears on the footing.

Cover the basement walls with 6 mil polyethylene film. Overlap the edges a minimum of 6". Apply the B-Dry Rigid Sealer panels to the walls. The bottom of the Rigid Sealer must extend below the floor level to just above the 3/4" diameter weep holes. Attach the panels to the walls with 1/4" nylon expanding rivets spaced 16" o.c. horizontally and 24" o.c. vertically. Rigid Sealer panels are connected with PVC connector moldings at all joints. Provide PVC connector moldings at inside and outside corners. Rigid Sealer panels shall be applied at least to the height of the outside grade.

Attach a 1" x 1" x 0.100" PVC angle to the wall with 1/4" nylon rivets spaced 12" o.c. The angle must be above the weep holes, but below the level of the floor slab.

Place gravel along the top of the footing to support the lip of the snap-on top.

Lay the Thermo-Flo pipe along the footing with the extended lip resting on the PVC angle. Provide a minimum 1/8" space between the side of the footing and the side of the pipe. Install the snap-on top to connect the pipes.

Provide large gravel along the outside of the pipe to prevent soil from entering the pipe. The bottom of the Thermo-Flo pipe shall not be lower than the bottom of the footing.

The connected system of Thermo-Flo pipe shall lead to a point of water discharge. The water shall be discharged in an approved manner that meets the local codes.

The floor slab is poured directly over the top of the Thermo-Flo pipe. Provide 6 x 6-W1.4 x W1.4 welded wire fabric reinforcement in the floor slab.

INSTALLER QUALIFICATIONS:

The Thermo-Flo basement waterproofing system shall be installed by applicators trained and authorized by B-Dry System, Inc.

WARRANTY:

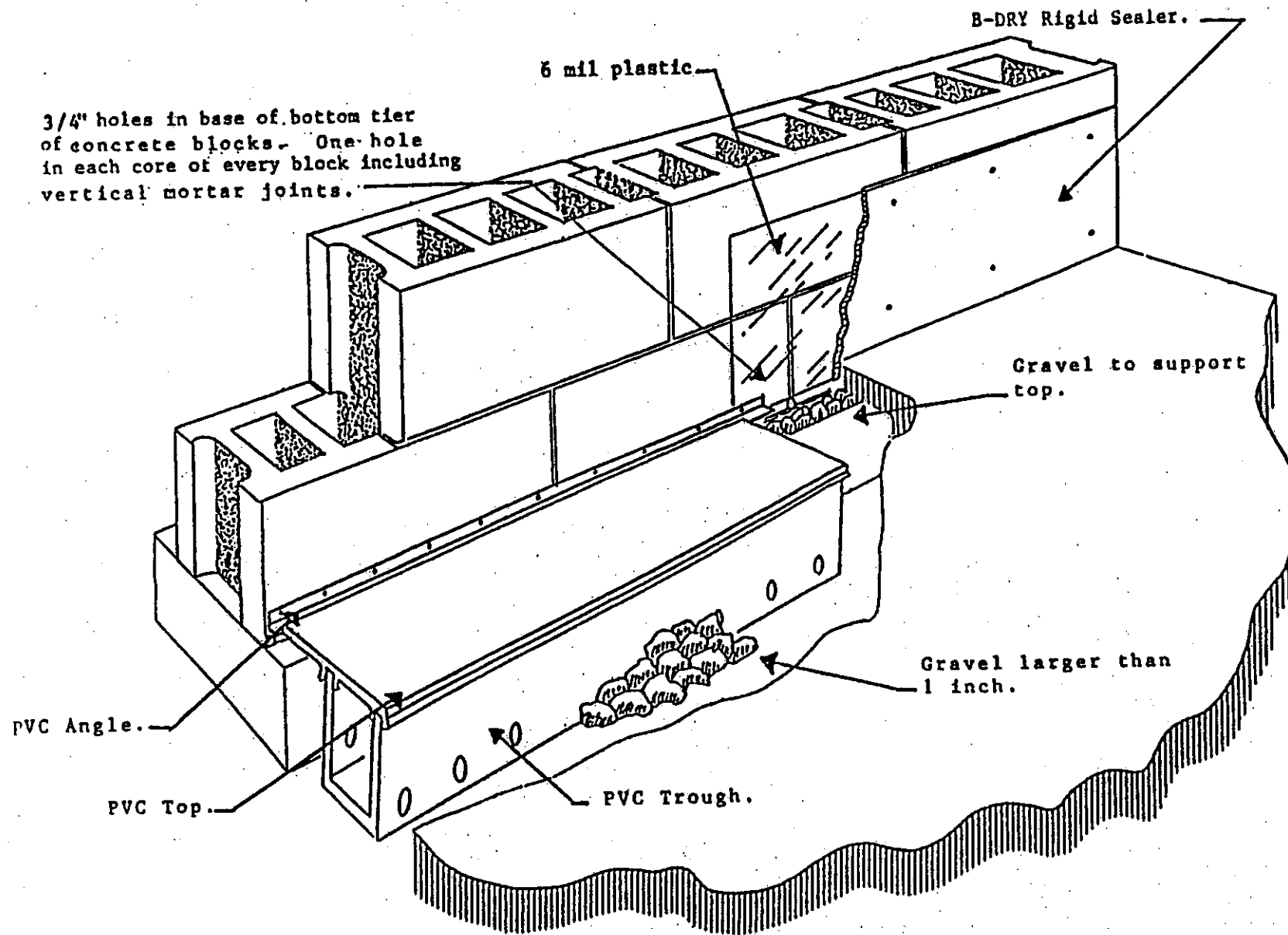
B-Dry System fully warrants the areas waterproofed with the Thermo-Flo system to be free from water leakage for the full life of the structure, regardless of ownership, and will at no additional cost of the customer, provide such labor and materials as required. Should service be required, the installing licensee should be notified. This warranty does not cover: backing or plugging of sewers; floods; condensation caused by high humidity; damp spot discoloration of walls; or sump pumps, which are covered by separate manufacturer's warranties. This warranty is transferable from owner to owner, should the house be sold.

A copy of the full warranty shall be given to the homeowner with each completed job.

MANUFACTURER'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

Issuance of this Materials Release (MR) commits the manufacturer to fulfill, as a minimum, the following:

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3. When requested, provide the Office of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, Manufactured Housing and Standards Division, HUD Headquarters, with a representative list of properties in which the material, product or system has been used, including complete addresses or descriptions of locations and dates of installation.
4. Inform HUD in advance of changes in production facilities, methods, design of the product, company name, ownership or mailing address.



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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Technical Suitability of Products Fees
P.O. Box 954199
St. Louis, MO 63195-4199

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3. the manufacturer has not complied with responsibilities it assumed as a condition of HUD's acceptance.

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